RESOLUTION NO. 2021-07

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AN ORDER PROHIBITING THE USE OF FIREWORKS AND OTHER FIRE IGNITION DEVICES WITHIN AREAS OF KAMAS CITY, AND RELATED MATTERS

WHEREAS, the State Fire Code Act, Utah Code Title 15A, Chapter 5, Part 2, provides that the City Council can prohibit the ignition or the use of ignition sources within areas that are subject to existing or historical hazardous environmental conditions;

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed the conditions of Kamas City and the recommendations of the fire department and officials;

WHEREAS, the City Council has received recommendations that the weather, drought conditions, environment, and other existing fire conditions and hazards are such that the use of fireworks and other ignition sources within areas of the City should be prohibited;

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the small size of Kamas City, the intermingling of the City with agricultural, mountainous, brush-covered, and dry grass-covered areas, and the presence of multiple open waterways throughout the City makes the designation and delineation of hazardous areas difficult, and that the only effective way to protect such hazardous and sensitive areas is by the restriction of ignition sources within the entirety of Kamas City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Kamas City, Utah, as follows:

- 1. The City Council authorizes the Mayor of the City to sign and implement the fire restriction order in the form attached hereto and to distribute and publish such order within the City.
- 2. This resolution shall supersede and replace all prior resolutions and orders prohibiting fireworks and ignition sources.
- 3. This resolution shall be in effect until repealed by the City Council.
- 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

Adopted and resolved by the City Council of Kamas, Utah this 13th day of July, 2021.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Recorder



FIRE RESTRICTION ORDER

Due to current and forecasted weather conditions coupled with the extremely dry conditions in northeastern Utah, the Kamas City Council has determined that measures must be taken to prevent the ignition of fires. Therefore, pursuant to Utah State Law, Section 15A-5-202.5, the following acts are prohibited in the areas described below until rescinded by the Kamas City Council:

- 1. Setting, building, maintaining, attending or using open fires of any kind, except within the facilities designated for them in improved campgrounds, picnic areas or home sites where running water is present.
- 2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle, trailer or building, a developed recreation site or while stopped in an area that is paved or free from dry vegetation.
- 3. Discharging or using any kind of fireworks, tracer ammunition or other pyrotechnic devices including exploding targets.
- 4. Cutting, welding or grinding metal in areas of dry vegetation.
- 5. Operating a motorcycle, chainsaw, ATV, or other small internal combustion engine without an approved and working spark arrestor.

Any of the above acts is a violation of state law and punishable by up to six months in jail and a fine of up to \$1,000.

The following persons are exempted from the above prohibitions:

- 1. Persons with a permit or waiver specifically authorizing a specified act at a specific location.
- 2. Any on-duty firefighter in the performance of an official duty.

Area Description:

All lands within the Kamas City limits.

Effective Date: July 13, 2021

Matt McCormick

Mayor